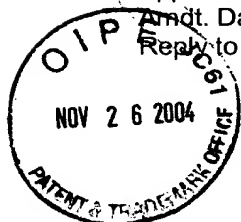


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Mail Stop Amendment  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 (AMENDMENT "C")**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated August 11, 2004 (paper no. 11). The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on November 11, 2004. Applicant hereby petitions and requests a one (1) month extension of time to extend the response period through December 11, 2004. A check in the amount of \$110 is enclosed to cover the extension fee.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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